

MTSA/ISPS POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Issue/Discussion/Decision FR Notice for soliciting AMSC membership 46-04

APPROVED

Issue (46-04): Should the Captain of the Port (COTP/FMSC) solicit memberships for the local Area Maritime Security Committees (AMSC) when a vacancy occurs, vice having G-MPS publish an annual solicitation to cover potential vacancies for all AMSCs?

Decision: Management of the local AMSC is a COTP/FMSC responsibility (see 33 CFR § 103.205). The COTP/FMSC is likely to be the first to know of pending local AMSC vacancies. It is also apparent that vacancies will occur more frequently than every 3, 4, or 5 years. Therefore, it is more practical for each COTP/FMSC to promulgate membership solicitations as appropriate rather than headquarters promulgating a consolidated notice.

A sample AMSC membership solicitation can found on the G-LRA website under Boilerplate templates, as well as the MTSA website at <http://cgweb.comdt.uscg.mil/g-mp/field.html>.